

CITY OF DUVALL
COUNCIL MEETING
2-24-00
7:00 PM

6:00 PM Council Workshop

Council Present:	Tom Loutsis	Staff Present:	Elizabeth Goode	Doreen Wise
	Jeane Baldwin		Graham Black	John Ringler
	Mark Cole		Cecelia Boulais	Glenn Merryman
	Pat Fullmer		Jim Bourasa	Bob Akey
			Jodee Schwinn	

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro-tem Fullmer at 7:00 PM

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:

Under Consent Agenda add:

Payroll \$73,113.09
Claims \$116,058.80

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE:

Carolyn Lake, Williams, Kastner & Gibbs, 1145 Broadway Plaza, Tacoma, representing the Suberts, said she is before council to urge them to lift the moratorium, in whole or in part. She believes the ULID is a contract to provide sewer service to those properties and that the city has a legal obligation to do so, as long as there is any capacity left. She stated ULID customers are a separate class of customers and should be allowed to hook up. She also reported that after reviewing public records, she feels based on the rate building permits are being issued, and where current projects are in the pipeline, the city shows little or no risk of exceeding capacity, even if the moratorium were lifted entirely. She feels that lifting the moratorium on just the ULID, would not put the city even close to capacity. She asked council to give staff direction to help her provide analysis to help move forward.

PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Pro-tem Fullmer proclaimed March 16, 2000 ***“Absolutely Incredible Kid Day”***. Absolutely Incredible Kid Day is about making the time to communicate love and commitment to our children. Councilmember Fullmer encouraged everyone to write a letter to a child on March 16th, to let them know how much they are cared about!

Was moved and seconded (Baldwin-Loutsis) to reappoint Carolyn Butler to the Duvall Arts Commission; term expiring January 8, 2001.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Was moved and seconded (Baldwin-Loutsis) to approve consent agenda.

1. Council Minutes of 2-10-00;
2. Payroll in the amount \$73,113.09;
3. Claims in the amount of \$116,058.80;
4. Authorize the Contract with the Economic Development Council for the year 2000.

Carried (3 ayes), Fullmer was not at the last Council Meeting and abstained.

Was moved and seconded (Baldwin-Loutsis) to Excuse Councilmember Neal Coy's Absence from the Council Meeting. Carried (4 ayes).

Councilmember Mark Cole announced he would not be able to attend the next Council Meeting. He will be out of town.

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Community Services Committee: Councilmember Loutsis reported Councilmember Coy will be the Chair of the Committee. They have not yet met.

Public Utilities Committee: Councilmember Cole reported he will be the Committee Chair. He and Loutsis will be meeting with Elizabeth Goode to set an agenda for what they want to accomplish.

Public Works Committee: They have not met.

Public Safety Committee: Councilmember Baldwin is the Committee Chair. She reported the committee has met and discussed both the internet and the City's Emergency Management Plan. The City is required to have a plan coordinated between the Fire Department and the Police Department. The plan is in the process of being updated. The Committee is waiting until the bridge closure to assess the manpower before completing the Plan.

Finance & Administration Committee: Councilmember Fullmer is the Committee Chair. She reported the Committee's focus the first part of the year will be on revenues. There was a shortfall in 1999. The Committee will look at the budget line by line. They are looking at some budget adjustments and are expecting to bring a budget amendment to one of the March Council Meetings.

STAFF:

Planning Director Doreen Wise:

1. Reported on the inventory of vacant parcels in the City of Duvall. She and Councilmember Loutsis completed an informal inventory. She emphasized it was an unofficial study and the figures are not exact, only estimates. She estimated there are approximately 47 residential or mixed-use lots and 30 commercial lots.

2. Doreen explained it is likely the City of Duvall's population, as measured by the Office of Finance Management, will reach 5000 by either April 1st, 2000 or April 1st, 2001. State law requires an increase in the size of a city council from five members to seven members when a city's population reaches 5000 people. Council will appoint the two additional positions. The positions will then be voted on at the next general election.

Mayor Pro-tem Fullmer added this item to the Agenda under New Business #1, for discussion purposes only.

Councilmember Fullmer announced this is Jim Boursa's last Council Meeting and invited everyone to stay after the meeting for cake.

She also announced that this is City Attorney Graham Black's last meeting. He is joining another firm. Everyone wished him luck.

Graham said Lisa Marshall of Kenyon Law Firm will be the new city attorney. She has over 6 years in municipal law and is currently the city attorney for the City of Maple Valley.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Extend the Taylor Landing Well Closure (expiring 2/24/00)

Jeff Popp, Commission for Water District #119, reported they are expecting to have their last customer serviced in one week.

Was moved and seconded (Loutsis- Baldwin) to extend the Taylor Landing Well Closure to March 9th, 2000. Carried (4 ayes).

NEW BUSINESS:

2. Increase in Council Size. Discussion Only.

Council and Staff discussed the advantages of preparing for an increase to Council now rather than waiting until the City receives the official population figure.

Councilmember Fullmer said it takes a couple of months to advertise and appoint new councilmembers to the open positions. Then it usually takes a new councilmember a couple of months to get up to speed on city council issues. It would be nice to have them "up and running" before the next general election in the fall.

Councilmember Cole asked how long the City has to comply with the increase in council size.

Planning Director, Doreen Wise, said the statute doesn't give a specific time line. She feels that as long as the city was working towards increasing the council size, the city would be complying.

Councilmember Loutsis agreed with Fullmer. He said it would be better to have the new council positions up for election this fall, rather than have 5 positions up for election in 2001.

It was decided to put this item on the council agenda.

ADJOURNMENT:

Was moved and seconded (Loutsis-Baldwin) to adjourn.

Carried (4 ayes).

Meeting Adjourned: 7:41PM.

Signed: _____
Mayor Glen Kuntz

Attest _____
Jodee Schwinn, Deputy City Clerk